

Tuesday 7 June 2022

Votes and Proceedings

The House met at 11.30 am.

Prayers

- 1 Speaker's Statement: Retirement of Alex Newton, Editor of the Official Report
- 2 Questions to the Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
- 3 Opposition Day: Leader of the Opposition (1st allotted day (Standing Order No. 14))
 - (1) Standards in public life

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House recognises the importance of the Ministerial Code for maintaining high standards in public life; endorses the Committee on Standards in Public Life report entitled Upholding Standards in Public Life, Final report of the Standards Matter 2 review; calls on the Government to implement all of the report's recommendations as a matter of urgency; and further calls on the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster to make a statement to the House on the progress made in implementing the recommendations by 20 July 2022, and each year subsequently.— (Angela Rayner.)

The House divided.

Division No. 10

Ayes: 215 (Tellers: Gerald Jones, Colleen Fletcher)
Noes: 0 (Tellers: Lilian Greenwood, Mark Tami)

Question accordingly agreed to.

Resolved, That this House recognises the importance of the Ministerial Code for maintaining high standards in public life; endorses the Committee on Standards in Public Life report entitled Upholding Standards in Public Life, Final report of the Standards Matter 2 review; calls on the Government to implement all of the report's recommendations as a matter of urgency; and further calls on the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster to make a statement to the House on the progress made in implementing the recommendations by 20 July 2022, and each year subsequently.

(2) Children's recovery and the cost of childcare

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House notes it is a year since the resignation of the Education Recovery Commissioner Sir Kevan Collins; condemns the Government's continued failure in that time to deliver an ambitious plan for children's recovery, including supporting their mental health and wellbeing; is concerned that the inadequate attention being paid to childcare, both for the youngest children and around the school day, is allowing the attainment gap to widen and costs to soar for parents at a time when there is significant pressure on household finances; and calls on the

Government to match Labour's ambitious plan for children's recovery, including measures to keep childcare costs down for parents while the cost of living crisis continues.—
(Bridget Phillipson.)

Sir Alan Campbell claimed to move the closure (Standing Order No. 36).

Question put, That the Question be now put.

Question agreed to.

Main Question put and agreed to.

Resolved, That this House notes it is a year since the resignation of the Education Recovery Commissioner Sir Kevan Collins; condemns the Government's continued failure in that time to deliver an ambitious plan for children's recovery, including supporting their mental health and wellbeing; is concerned that the inadequate attention being paid to childcare, both for the youngest children and around the school day, is allowing the attainment gap to widen and costs to soar for parents at a time when there is significant pressure on household finances; and calls on the Government to match Labour's ambitious plan for children's recovery, including measures to keep childcare costs down for parents while the cost of living crisis continues.

4 Statutory Instruments: Motions for Approval

(1) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Pharmacy (Preparation and Dispensing Errors - Hospital and Other Pharmacy Services) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 28 April in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Alan Mak.)

Question agreed to.

(2) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the draft Pharmacy (Responsible Pharmacists, Superintendent Pharmacists etc.) Order 2022, which was laid before this House on 28 April in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.— (Alan Mak.)

Question agreed to.

(3) Motion made and Question put forthwith (Standing Order No. 118(6)), That the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (Amendment) (No. 9) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 477), a copy of which was laid before this House on 27 April in the last Session of Parliament, be approved.—(Alan Mak.)

Question agreed to.

5 Adjournment

Subject: Stockton's bid to host Great British Railways' headquarters (Matt Vickers) Resolved, That this House do now adjourn.—(Alan Mak.)

Adjourned at 7.17 pm until tomorrow.

Other Proceedings

General Committees: Reports

6 Online Safety Bill Committee

Christina Rees (Chair) reported written evidence submitted to the Committee.

Written evidence to be published.

7 Third Delegated Legislation Committee

Yvonne Fovargue (Chair) reported the draft Import of Animals and Animal Products and Approved Countries (Amendment) Regulations 2022.

General Committees: Appointments

The Speaker appoints the Chair of General Committees and members of Programming Sub-Committees, and allocates Statutory Instruments to Delegated Legislation Committees.

The Committee of Selection nominates Members to serve on General Committees (and certain Members to serve on Grand Committees).

8 Public Order Bill (Programming Sub-Committee)

Members: Chris Elmore, Sarah Jones, Anne McLaughlin, Kit Malthouse, Scott Mann, Mr Gagan Mohindra and Matt Vickers

Select Committees: Reports

9 Backbench Business Committee

Transcript of representations made on Tuesday 7 June to be published (Ian Mearns).

10 Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

- (1) The semiconductor industry in the UK: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 291);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister for Business, Energy and Corporate Responsibility relating to an EU directive on corporate sustainability due diligence: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets relating to the Pubs Code review: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence from the Secretary of State: Written evidence, to be published (Darren Jones).

11 Defence Committee

- (1) UK Defence in the Indo-Pacific: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 183);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister for Defence People and Veterans relating to traumatic brain injuries: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence with the Secretary of State relating to provision of women's body armour and equipment in Ukraine: Written evidence, to be published (Tobias Ellwood).

12 Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Committee

- (1) Online Safety Bill: Oral evidence taken before the Sub-Committee on Online Harms and Disinformation, to be published (HC 271);
- (2) *Promoting Britain abroad*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 156) (Julian Knight).

13 Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee

- (1) UK seafood fund: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 290);
- (2) Correspondence from the Minister for Agri-Innovation and Climate Adaptation relating to the Genetic Technology (Precision Breeding) Bill: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) *Defra Common Frameworks*: Written evidence, to be published (HC 364) (Sir Robert Goodwill).

14 Finance Committee

Record of the Committee's decisions taken at its meeting on 7 June, to be published (Mr Nicholas Brown).

15 Health and Social Care Committee

- (1) Cancer services: Government Response to the Committee's Twelfth Report of Session 2021–22: First Special Report, to be printed (HC 345);
- (2) Expert panel: evaluation of the Government's commitments in the area of cancer services in England: Government Response to the Committee's Fourth Special Report of Session 2021–22: Second Special Report, to be printed (HC 346);
- (3) Workforce: recruitment, training and retention in health and social care: Oral and written evidence, to be published (HC 115);
- (4) The future of General Practice: Written evidence, to be published (HC 113);
- (5) Correspondence with the Minister of State for Care relating to an update on the introduction of the licencing scheme for non-surgical cosmetic procedures: Written evidence, to be published

(Jeremy Hunt).

16 Justice Committee

- (1) Correspondence from the Attorney General relating to guidelines on disclosure: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) Correspondence from the Director of Public Prosecutions relating to pre-trial therapy guidance: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State and Assistant Government Whip relating to reforms to the housing possession court duty scheme: Written evidence, to be published;
- (4) Correspondence with the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State relating to prelegislative scrutiny of a Bill of Rights: Written evidence, to be published;
- (5) COVID-19 and the criminal law: Written evidence, to be published (HC 338);
- (6) Imprisonment for Public Protection (IPP) sentences: Written evidence, to be published (HC 266);
- (7) Pre-legislative scrutiny of the draft Victims Bill: Written evidence, to be published (HC 304)
- (8) Serious Fraud Office Main Estimate Memorandum 2022–23: Written evidence, to be published
- (Sir Robert Neill).

17 Northern Ireland Affairs Committee

- (1) Addressing the legacy of Northern Ireland's past: The UK Government's new proposals: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 284);
- (2) The effect of paramilitaries on society in Northern Ireland: Written evidence, to be published (HC 24)

(Simon Hoare).

18 Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee

- (1) The scrutiny of international treaties and other international agreements in the 21st century: Oral evidence, to be published (HC 214);
- (2) Correspondence from the Civil Service Chief Operating Officer and Cabinet Office Permanent Secretary relating to the Office of the Prime Minister: Written evidence, to be published;
- (3) Correspondence from the Secretary of State for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities relating to the publication of the first quarterly report for 2022 on intergovernmental relations: Written evidence, to be published

(Mr William Wragg).

19 Transport Committee

- (1) Correspondence from the Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State relating to Flightpath to the future: a strategic framework for aviation: Written evidence, to be published;
- (2) Maritime 2050: objectives, implementation and effects: Written evidence, to be published (HC 160)

(Huw Merriman).

20 Welsh Affairs Committee

Grid capacity in Wales: Written evidence, to be published (HC 218) (Stephen Crabb).

Lindsay Hoyle
Speaker

Westminster Hall

The sitting began at 9.30 am.

Business appointed by the Chairman of Ways and Means (Standing Order No. 10(6))

1 Proposals for a statutory gambling levy

Resolved, That this House has considered proposals for a statutory gambling levy.— (Carolyn Harris.)

2 Access to GPs and primary care in North East Bedfordshire

Resolved, That this House has considered access to GPs and primary care in North East Bedfordshire.—(Richard Fuller.)

The sitting was suspended between 11.29 am and 2.30 pm (Standing Order No. 10(1)(b)).

3 Role of neighbourhood plans in national planning policy

Resolved, That this House has considered the role of neighbourhood plans in national planning policy.—(Dr Luke Evans.)

The sitting was suspended between 3.49 pm and 4.05 pm for a division in the House (Standing Order No. 10(3)).

4 Regulation of ports and maximising economic and maritime potential on the Forth and the Clyde

Resolved, That this House has considered the regulation of ports and maximising economic and maritime potential on the Forth and the Clyde.—(Kenny MacAskill.)

The sitting was suspended between 4.29 pm and 4.35 pm.

5 Impact of the collapse of Football Index

Motion made and Question proposed, That this House has considered the impact of the collapse of Football Index.—(*Liz Twist*.)

The Chair announced a time limit on backbench speeches (under the authority of the Chairman of Ways and Means and Standing Order No. 47(1)).

Resolved, That this House has considered the impact of the collapse of Football Index.

Sitting adjourned without Question put (Standing Order No. 10(14)).

Adjourned at 5.34 pm until tomorrow.

Eleanor Laing

Chairman of Ways and Means

Papers Laid

Papers subject to Affirmative Resolution

1 Agriculture

Draft Common Agricultural Policy (Cross-Compliance Exemptions and Transitional Regulation) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

2 Building and Buildings

Draft Building Safety (Leaseholder Protections) (Information etc.) (England) Regulations 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Stuart Andrew)

3 Customs

Customs (Amendments and Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 615), dated 6 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

Papers subject to Negative Resolution

4 Agriculture

- (1) Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Marketing Standards and Organic Products) (Transitional Provisions) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 609), dated 6 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)
- (2) Common Organisation of the Markets in Agricultural Products (Third Country Listing for Fruit and Vegetables) (Amendment, etc.) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 608), dated 6 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary George Eustice)

5 British Nationality

British Nationality (General, British Overseas Territories and Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 602), dated 31 May 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Priti Patel)

6 Coroners

Coroners (Investigations) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 612), dated 1 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

7 Cremation

Cremation (England and Wales) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 611), dated 1 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Dominic Raab)

8 Customs

Customs Tariff (Preferential Trade Arrangements) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 613), dated 6 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Lucy Frazer)

9 National Health Service

National Health Service (Charges to Overseas Visitors) (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 614), dated 6 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

10 Public Health

Health Protection (Notification) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (SI, 2022, No. 616), dated 6 June 2022 (by Act), with an Explanatory Memorandum (by Command) (Secretary Sajid Javid)

Withdrawn papers

11 Agriculture

Common Agricultural Policy (Cross-Compliance Exemptions and Transitional Regulation) (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations (laid 11 May)